



Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission

Agenda Item: 4D

Advisory Information

Title: **Community Innovation Fund Committee**

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Date: January 27, 2015

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Attachments: Community Innovation Fund Guidelines

Requested Action

Approval of the Community Innovations Fund Guidelines.

Background

Work on the guidelines for the Community Innovation Fund began in late 2013 at the Committee of the Whole. In early 2014 a series of listening sessions were held with neighborhood organizations throughout the city to gather ideas on the program. These comments informed a draft set of guidelines which was distributed to neighborhood organizations in mid-2014 for comment.

In the fall of 2014 the NCEC organized the Community Innovations Fund Committee to complete work on the guidelines and prepare a request for proposals. The Committee prepared the final set of guidelines which were reviewed by the Committee of the Whole on January 14th.

Discussion

The Committee suggested additions to the guidelines relating evaluating applications on the basis of geographic balance throughout the city and the sustainability of projects after the grant funds are expended. Those additions are highlighted in the attached guidelines.